

MISSIONARY MEETING HELD.

Bishop Johnston, of Texas, Makes an Interesting Address.

SERVICES AT THE CHURCHES TO-DAY.

Young Men Are Invited to the Association—Methodist Clergymen From the Conference to Preach in Richmond.

A missionary service was held 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon at Monumental church. The pastor, Dr. John B. Newton, and Dr. Lewis M. Burton, rector of St. John's church, officiated. The services were opened with the singing of hymn 283, "From Greenland's Icy Mountains," and Dr. Burton read the second-second psalm.

After hymn 284, "Jesus shall reign where'er the sun," had been sung by the congregation Dr. Newton announced that Right Rev. James L. Johnston, D. D., of Western Texas, would make an address on domestic missions. He added that the congregations of Monumental and St. James' churches would hold in the latter church a union mission service at 4 o'clock, when Dr. Johnston would again speak and when an offering would be held for the benefit of his district.

Bishop Johnston then delivered a highly interesting address, which was eagerly listened to by the congregation, and which was in substance as follows:

"I am not a stranger in this city, for twenty-five years ago I was well acquainted with all the hills and valleys of this city, when I walked up and down the streets with the venerable and learned men who were then the chief of the church in this city. I am also a native of this city, for my father was born in this city, and when a grown man he moved from this city to the southwest and I was born in Mississippi. I have come here by the invitation of the Bishop of the Diocese, whom I met in New York last year in the House of Bishops, and who then asked me to come and preach in Virginia.

"Every winter the missionary bishops of this country can be found in the large cities of the east, where they endeavor to raise sufficient means to carry on their mission work during the following summer. I think I was the first missionary bishop who spoke in this city. If not, Bishop Johnston addressed the Richmond congregation before me. With great pleasure I accepted the invitation to speak here, for I was anxious to tell the good people here something about the work carried on in the far West, which should be the heart of all members of the Church.

FACTS ABOUT TEXAS.

A great many people have a very wrong idea about matters as they are now in Texas. It is mostly from reports which have come from that distant country about fifty years ago. It was then the refuge of criminals and a sort of Botany Bay for the whole country, and most of its inhabitants were fugitives from justice.

When I received my orders to go to Western Texas as missionary bishop I looked at it in the same light and wondered what I had done to deserve such treatment, but when I reached my destination I found a great difference, and I fully realize now that Texas is a future State. Texas will be the empire State of the Union, in size the State is as large as France or Germany, and fully able to support within its borders 20,000,000 of people. It has been called the 'El Dorado' of America, and like the 'El Dorado,' its climate is very delightful in winter time. At first its population comprised a good many disorderly people, but recently some nice classes of people have moved there from the older States.

In the early part of this century our church in Texas was in a very weak state, and it did not reach there until other churches were well established. Since then we have done some good work, as can be seen from a comparison with other churches. In Kentucky our church has one communicant in every 20 population, in Alabama one in every 30 population, in Mississippi, one in every 60 population, in Western Texas, one in every 100 population, while in Virginia one communicant comes to every 75 population. We know that this policy be consistently maintained, and our church will be sustained in their work by their people at home.

MERIT WILL TELL.

The emigration and immigration in our country has proceeded westward on its own line, and the state of Texas is very largely settled with Southern people, and among them the Virginians form a prominent part. However, there are no serious feelings in existence, except in the oldest portion around Galveston, and every man is received out there just as readily for what he is worth. The people in Texas do not ask any questions as to recommendations, and every one is judged upon his own merits. The customs of the country are changed by the old Southern people, and in some outside of the foreign settlements. It is perfectly natural that our own people should sympathize with their own friends in that new country.

The people who come into the new West from the older countries, even if they have previously been religiously inclined, will soon turn down the religious standard, instead of attempting to raise it up. A man who has been well raised in the old parts of this country and who comes to the new West expects to be under great obligations to the right and adhere to his religious education, for if he does not he makes his new surroundings believe that his parents have neglected to raise him in the right manner.

We are endeavoring in the new country to plant our church work, and we can do it within the next ten or fifteen years, we hope to have in every village a living, growing branch of the church. Only seventeen years ago the church was fully organized by Bishop Elliott and from six churches which founded in that part of Texas, their numbers have grown to thirty-five. Seventeen years ago they had only five ministers and now they have eighteen, and I am anxious to get three more during the next year. While the Methodists have no difficulty in getting young men to go into the ministry, our young men have to be carefully educated in colleges.

Many men out West are not as pious as in older parts of this country. They tell you at any time that they have not come there to build churches, and boys who are irreligious follow the example of irreligious fathers. During the past seventeen years I have seen two young men who were sent to the ministry, and one of them was an Englishman. All the rest had to be brought there from the old parts of this country.

MINISTERS WANTED.

The principal object of my coming here is to induce young men to study for the ministry and to come out to us. We want young men more than we do money. Religion is only secured in the West when the minister is full of true religion himself. Out of sheer desperation we open our churches to applicants, but in such instances usually the minister had better remain closed. Up to the present time the very kind of men which we need, seventeen years ago we had only 500 communicants, but their number has since grown to 2,000. At that time we had no schools, now we have twelve, and we have no schools, now we have twenty-two where there are 100 communicants and over, we have services at least once a month, and there is only one district in Texas, consisting of nine counties, where the ministers cannot preach in the different places but once in two months. If the missionaries now preaching in western Texas are properly sustained by the people in the older States there will be no difficulty in making rapid progress in advancing the cause of our church.

Bishop Johnston will preach a missionary sermon this morning at St. Paul's church and this evening he will make an address at Grace Episcopal church.

AT THE ASSOCIATION.

A meeting for boys will be held at 8 o'clock to-morrow afternoon in the parlor of the Young Men's Christian Association. Mr. W. W. Smith will conduct the meeting and make a short address, while Mr. C. W. Goyner will sing a solo.

The Rev. Mr. H. P. Zimmerman, ex-State secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association of Maryland, who will conduct the daily services at the Young Men's Christian Association Hall in this city during the present week, will be the guest of Mr. R. S. Boshier, on Franklin street.

PINE-STREET BAPTIST.

Rev. J. A. Marsteller will preach at Pine-

street Baptist church this morning at 11 A. M., and Rev. J. M. McManaway, of Big Spring, Tex., at 3 P. M.

Rev. J. B. Hutton, the pastor of Pine-street church, begins a protracted meeting for Dr. Dunaway, of Fredericksburg, this morning.

THE Y. M. C. A.

The annual meeting of the Railroad Branch of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held in Park-Place Methodist church this evening.

Dr. W. F. Evans, Rev. J. J. Garner, Mr. John B. West and Mr. B. M. Quarles, the latter two gentlemen members of the board of directors of the Association, will address the meeting. The service will be under the direction of Professor Emory Shaw, and will be assisted by Mr. Horace F. Smith and Mr. C. W. Hunter.

RAVIVAL MEETING.

Much interest is taken in the union meetings in progress at old Trinity church on Franklin street. An increase in attendance and spiritual power is evident. All denominations are invited to co-operate in the good work. Services to-day will be held at 3 and 7:30 P. M., in charge of Miss P. L. Hall and others.

WEST-END MISSION SUNDAY SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Corner Reservoir and Cary streets, will be opened as a morning school. Dr. Fair, pastor of Grace-street Presbyterian church, delivered an address on Friday evening before the Young Men's Christian Association of the University of Virginia. To-day he will occupy Dr. Fitzer's church in Washington, D. C. Dr. Fair's pulpit will be occupied this morning by Dr. Campbell and this evening by Dr. Hoge.

REGIMENTAL MATTERS.

An Interesting Budget of New Army Items Gathered About the Armory.

The First Regiment Armory last evening showed a strong contrast to the past few weeks when it was animated with the preparation for the reception of visiting soldiers and their entertainment while here. The stir and bustle has given away to a season of rest, and wide open doors of company rooms which made one family of the whole regiment are now closed against the chill air of night and while all is life like and cozy within the general appearance of open hospitality is not.

Colonel Jones was quickly surprised and after disposing of various details, each one requiring separate judgment and receiving prompt decision, he was ready to discuss the new tactics or any other question on military matters.

The new tactics is the matter most discussed now from the lowest private to the highest officer, and though nearly all the officers and men have had a little acquaintance with the new system of movement, the lack of an unknown quantity and with some dread of the work required to become perfect in their use.

During the last week several of the companies have had some instructions. Both officers and men seem to be very well pleased with them, since the movements so far in which they have been instructed come to them very easily, all being based entirely on the most natural way in which a man can handle himself.

Major Mercer, surgeon of the regiment, reports several applications for the ambulance corps. The corps will be regularly organized Monday night at 8:30 o'clock with a good membership and the indications are that it will be a very valuable adjunct to the regiment.

Enlistment in the different companies is progressing very satisfactorily, and Colonel Jones says that with a continuance of increasing numbers as at present it will not be long before all the companies will reach the maximum limit allowed by law.

By the end of the present week the gymnasium will be finished, and will give the men a good opportunity for physical culture during the winter months especially.

General Charles J. Anderson, who has been quite ill for some weeks, is reported as improving.

Lieutenant John C. Marks, of Company F, who has been for some time indisposed, is again.

Commissary Sergeant Falkner is another member of the regiment who has been on the sick list and is again around the camp.

Colonel Hawes took his staff out last Thursday evening on a ride for exercise and instruction. There have been several rides of character similar to this one when the fields of Henrico and Hanover were visited, but on this occasion the ride was the most successful.

Forest Hill Park was the ground selected. The ride was a very successful one, and the officers and men were very much pleased with the result. The ride was a very successful one, and the officers and men were very much pleased with the result.

The excitement of these rides is enhanced by cross country routes which are diversified with marsh, mud, brake, fence and ditch, and situations calculated to test the horsemanship of the officers. Most of them are already good horsemen and this manner of instruction is so practical in its nature that it might be adopted by the officers of all arms of the service who have the need of perfecting in this accomplishment. There will probably be but one more of these delightful rides before another year, and none will be taken after the command goes into winter quarters at the approach of severe weather.

Colonel Hawes said the interest in the cavalry branch of the southern army, and he had no doubt that another triumph could be raised at once if a suitable commander could be secured. It is the intention of Colonel Hawes to invite the staff officers of the regiment to accompany his next riding party.

The last ride furnished an amusing accident which, as nobody was hurt, was enjoyed by all except the main actor. The officer in question failed to provide his steed with a breast-strap, and while the horse was scampering he was thrown over the crupper end, and the animal followed the troop. Such little incidents serve to give spice to the ride and are common to the cavalry service.

On Thanksgiving day Company D anticipates a great time. They will have their annual target practice and skirmish, and that day at some point in the country yet to be selected. They will probably go in wagons with one day's rations and generally prepared for a good outing. They will expend 500 rounds of ball target shooting and 1,000 ball rounds in skirmish fire. Three medals will be awarded to be awarded to the first, second and third best shot respectively. This company had a competitive drill Thursday in which the contest was very close. Corporal Wilson won the medal.

The need of suitable accommodations for the cavalry and howitzers is becoming more and more pressing, and the members of both organizations express much anxiety to know whose fault it is that the appropriation made by the City Council for this purpose has not yet been utilized.

SUFFERING WITH LOCKJAW.

Miss Mattie Phumfrey, of West Main Street, Meets With a Serious Accident.

Miss Mattie Phumfrey, of No. 500 West Main street, daughter of Mr. W. F. Phumfrey, while passing through her rear yard on Friday stepped upon a nail which had been driven in a shingle and sustained serious injury. Only a short time after lockjaw set in and she became dangerously ill. Her mother, who was in attendance on the Baptist convention in Norfolk, was telegraphed for, and when she arrived in this city was also seriously ill. It was thought at one time that Miss Phumfrey had become paralyzed, but yesterday it was found that she was suffering from severe hysteria. She was better yesterday, but her daughter was reported worse last evening.

THE "SHUTTLING ARMS."

The ladies in charge of this charitable institution feel greatly encouraged by the work by the many manifestations of interest on the part of their friends, who have generously remembered them by sending gifts of provisions, money, etc.

They feel that it is mostly due to the sake of the dear departed one, who so earnestly strove to make the hospital a place of rest for the sick, that they have been able to do so much. A friend of hers in Maryland has just sent \$25 to the home for her sake. Many others who knew and loved Miss Kehekah Peterkin have contributed in the same manner.

THE MONUMENT FUND.

Major J. Taylor Stratton, agent of the Confederate Soldiers and Sailors Monument Association, has received and turned over to the treasurer of the Association the following contributions: W. B. Beville, \$10; Inocg. J. H. O. B., \$2 K. Palmer, \$1; A. G. Wallace, \$2. Total, \$15. Previously reported, \$5,080.25; grand total, \$5,095.25.

MUCH PERFDY BY DASHIELL.

A Terrible Story of Defalcation Unearthed Yesterday.

HOW HE HANDLED OTHERS' MONEY.

His Late Partner Makes Startling Discoveries on the Books Lately Kept by the Fugitive, and Many Are Out of Pocket.

No personal tidings came from Dashiell across the waste of ignominious flight, but now and then a new discovery of fraudulent transactions marks the treacherous shoals upon which his honor and integrity were wrecked.

For some days rumors have been afloat regarding certain of his transactions which, while not tinged with the same wickedness that brought about originally his disaster, are replete with mischief and reeking with corruption.

Knowing that his former partner, Mr. Cobb, was deeply interested in these latest developments a Times reporter called upon him yesterday and elicited the following facts:

MR. COBB INTERVIEWED.

"I have nothing that I prefer to say," he said to the reporter, "until facts are sought I do not feel that I have a right to suppress them, and yet if my personal feelings were consulted I should not talk, and I appreciate the fact that every mention of these matters entails."

The story is as follows: While Dashiell was still with his former partners, the Messrs. Brown, they were given a note by Mrs. S. A. Cobb, for \$750. Before this note was due the lady gave Dashiell a check for it, and this check he retained, allowing the note to continue to its maturity. In the meantime the recent partnership had been formed and Dashiell had received a note for \$1,000 at one year from Elizabeth A. Coleman, a colored woman who lives on Church Hill. This note was given Dashiell with the understanding that he discount it and pay \$500, which she owed to another party, applying the balance to her credit. When the Edinns note fell due he discounted the Coleman note and paid it, charging Elizabeth Coleman \$750, the amount of the Edinns note. Thus Elizabeth Coleman, credited with \$500, her discounted note was charged with \$750, which Dashiell had received and used some time before. From time to time the Coleman woman was paid some money by Dashiell and her account on the books now shows that she owes the firm \$131.50, while she should stand credited with the difference between \$750 and \$131.50.

THE SECOND NOTE GIVEN.

The Coleman note was secured by a deed of trust, and Elizabeth states that not long after giving it Dashiell came to her with an Edinns note for \$1,000 and told her that he had torn up the first one and signed a new one for the same amount. Both of these notes are now held by the banks, one with each of two banks, and both notes are of the same date, and as the deed of trust is for one note and the other is a question arises as to which is protected by the instrument.

Dashiell now held the second note of Coleman's for the \$1,000, and about this time there came Mrs. Mahone, who sought to invest in real estate through Mr. Dashiell. Nothing, however, which he offered seemed to strike the lady's fancy, and so she left, but her money was drawing no interest in the banks and that he would sell her a good note of \$1,000.

SHE BOUGHT THE NOTE.

Mrs. Mahone stated that she preferred real estate and might need the money at any time. This argument met by assuring her that he would take up the note at any time she desired, so she bought the note and Dashiell placed the \$930 to his own individual credit and time wore on. Later Mrs. Mahone found some property elsewhere to suit her and brought the note for payment. Dashiell promptly gave her a check for it and charged the check on the books to her, and there it stands to-day. All of these things were utterly unknown to the knowledge of Mr. Cobb, an examination of the books for the first time he discovers Mrs. Mahone charged with \$930, when she never has owed the firm one dollar.

Thus are rumors confirmed, and shame multiplied upon the head of him who wronged to the greatest extent those who loved and trusted him, and whose every deceit was practiced upon those whom he numbered as friends and confidants.

A CONSIDERABLE SURPLUS.

The State Treasury Reasonably Full Because Interest Has Not Been Paid.

The following from the pen of its Richmond correspondent is reproduced from the Baltimore Sun of yesterday: "Much interest is felt by financial men in the forthcoming report to the Legislature which the Auditor of Public Accounts will submit. This paper, which is now in course of preparation, will, it is understood, show a considerable surplus in the State Treasury. This, however, does not indicate any special degree of prosperity. It is accounted for by the fact that comparatively little interest has been paid on State bonds for the past two years. It can be accounted for by the fact that the authority of the State Treasury, this, however, does not indicate any special degree of prosperity. It is accounted for by the fact that comparatively little interest has been paid on State bonds for the past two years. It can be accounted for by the fact that the authority of the State Treasury, this, however, does not indicate any special degree of prosperity. 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